

Remarks

Claims 1-11 were pending.

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9 and 11 are amended.

Claims 3 and 8 are original.

Claim 10 is canceled.

Claims 12-21 are new.

The application now contains claims 1-9 and 11-21.

Claims 1, 2 and 9 are amended to remove multiple ranges.

Claims 4, 5, 7 and 11 are amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Claim 6 is amended to remove multiple ranges and multiple dependencies.

Claims 1, 2 and 9 are further amended to reword the first line of the claim to now read "A pigment comprising particles having a length" and to replace the term "comprising" that appears near the end of the claim with the term "and".

Claim 9 is also amended to change the term "obtainable" to "obtained" and to move the phrase "with a thickness of from 20 to 200 nm" from the end of the claim to immediately after the phrase "particles contain a core".

Claims 4 and 5 are further amended to incorporate more proper Markush language.

Claim 7 is further amended to delete the term "interference".

Claim 11 is further amended to add the terms "textiles", "coatings" and "glazes for". Support is found in original claim 10 and in the specification on page 16, lines 4-10.

Claims 12, 13, and 14 are added to reclaim material deleted from claims 1, 2, and 4 respectively.

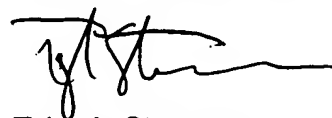
Claims 15-19 are added to reclaim material deleted from claim 6.

Claims 20 and 21 are added to reclaim material deleted from claims 9 and 11 respectively.

No new matter is added.

Consideration of the present claims on their merits is respectfully awaited.

Respectfully submitted,



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